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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: BURRELL et al.

Application No.: 09/383,579

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For: MODIFICATION OF PLANT FIBRES Attorney Docket No.: 9341-018



Group Art Unit: 1643

Examiner: Not yet assigned

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated September 10, 1999 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants submit herewith (a) a Petition For Extension of Time for three months from November 10, 1999 up to and including February 10, 2000; and (b) a Declaration and Power of Attorney for the application executed by all the inventors.

The surcharge required to be filed with the accompanying Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) has been estimated to be \$130.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date February 10, 2000

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**  
*Filing Date Granted*

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a  
☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$ 130.00

☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.  
☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$\_\_\_\_\_ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☐ 2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ total claims over 20.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ independent claims over 3.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

☒ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☒ is missing or unsigned.  
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

☐ 8. The application was filed in a language other than English.

Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).

☐ 9. OTHER:

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

**A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.**

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